

MIKE KEEN . . . gallon of whisky

Keen 'manager of the month'

WYCOMBE Wanderers' rapid climb up the Berger Isthmian League table has led to Mike Keen being chosen as Mackenzie's Premier Division 'manager of the month' for November.

The Wanderers boss will receive his reward of a gallon bottle of 'The Real Mackenzie Scotch Whisky' plus a special certificate immediately before tomorrow's match against Sutton United at Loakes Park.

On hearing of the award Mr Keen, who won a similar prize during his short stay at Northampton, said, "I'm over the moon and very pleased for the lads. I suppose I'll have to buy them a drink for this.

"I hope it is awarded for our approach to the game, as much as for our results. I think we give the fans value for money, especially at home."

During November Wycombe won four home league matches in a row and their only defeat was the 5-0 disaster at Dagenham.

Another probable factor in gaining Keen the award was their fine victory over Worcester in the fourth qualifying round of the F.A. Cup, and the subsequent first round tie against Football League side Bournemouth.

This is the first season that P.D. Mackenzie & Co Ltd, have entered into a sponsorship with the Isthmian League. During each of the nine months of the season, they will award a prize to a manager from each of the three divisions.

The decision is made by a panel of Isthmian League officers alone. In addition to the bottle and the certificate, each winner will receive an engraved tankard at the end of the season, as a permanent memento.

The whisky, itself, would clearly not last too long!